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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 6, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this submission.

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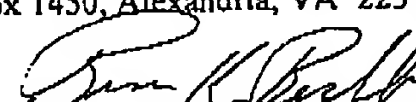
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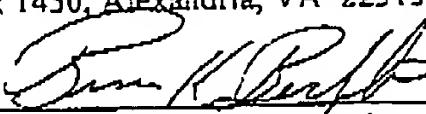
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